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Question:

What incentives will the Government provide and what financial and change management support will Government give to government business enterprises required to fill 40 per cent board positions with women, as stated by Minister Wong in a speech on 11 October 2011.

Answer:

The Department of Finance and Deregulation will advise government business enterprises in the implementation of the Commonwealth Government Business Enterprise Governance and Oversight Guidelines. No incentives, financial support or change management support, other than implementation assistance from the Department of Finance and Deregulation, will be provided to government business enterprises to achieve the target.